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Negotiated settlement still possible

By Balini Molnar

Is there still hope for a political and diplomatic initiative that could miraculously salvage the "Road Map", or what's left of it? Mark Rosenblum, founder and policy director of Americans for Peace Now (APN) and professor of history at the City University of New York, thinks that all is not lost. More importantly, he believes that there is simply no other solution for Israel than a renewed push on the

diplomatic front that would bring about a negotiated settlement. He spoke to the *Bulletin* just before Yom Kippur.

Rosenblum firmly believes that Israel is facing an existential threat. Contrary to common assumptions about Israel's physical security, Rosenblum defines Israel's existential threat as a choice. "Israel can either actively promote the emergence of a territorially contiguous and viable Palestin-

ian state or it can become the Palestinian state itself. Between the Mediterranean and the Jordan River there is already a majority of non-Jews; the choice is simple and American Jews should understand that without a Palestinian state, Israel as a Jewish state will cease to exist," says Rosenblum. "As a Zionist, I am devoted to the existence of a democratic Jewish state."

But accepting Rosen-
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Role up your sleeve to save a life

Over 200 people took part in the second annual blood donor clinic in memory of Naomi Bulka, obm, at the SJCC and the Canada Blood Services Plymouth Street location on October 2. Pictured (left to right) clinic organizer David Hoffman, Rabbi Reuven Bulka, donor Zena Lief and CBS Phlebotomist Kevin Lavolette. To make an appointment to donate blood, please call CBS at 1-888-236-6283 (1-888-2 DONATE). (Photo: Barry Fishman)



Artist's work reflects immigrant past

By Pamela Rosenberg

If you've ever ventured through the doors of the SJCC administration offices, chances are your eye has been caught by Violeta Borisonik's art *About Families and Other Stories*, a mixed media piece which she generously donated to the Soloway Jewish Community Centre.

It is also Borisonik's unique work, entitled *Rudki/1939* that graces the cover of the recent Arts Alive brochure and posters and sets the tone for this year's cultural fair and celebration of Jewish Book Month, *Resonance: Between The Old World and the New*, happening November 1 and 2 at the SJCC.

"We may think that our bonds with the old world are severed by immigration but the world left behind persists in literature, music and in the visual arts," explains SJCC Program Director Maxine Miska of the theme for Arts Alive. "Traditions of the old world are replenished by the experiences of

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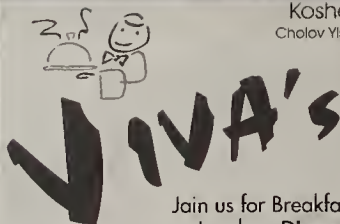
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APN director to speak at Temple Israel

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blum's analysis of the situation still leaves one wondering whether there is a partner for any diplomatic initiative.

Rosenblum thinks there is. And he also thinks that Arafat must remain part of the equation, at least for the time being. While Arafat deserves strong condemnation for his failed leadership and a degree of complicity in terror attacks, sidelining him or threatening to kill him only results in his legitimacy being shored up among ordinary Palestinians.

"He is exactly where he wants to be," says Rosenblum. "He is sitting under siege in his headquarters and is saying to the Palestinians 'look at me: I am you!' and can present himself as the Palestinian everyman."

The Palestinians, of course, now have a new premier in Ahmed Qurei and Rosenblum agrees with most observers that Qurei has a realistic chance to succeed where Abbas failed. Rosenblum sees Qurei as a skilled dealmaker who has showed signs of great tactical ability in co-opting the Fatah Central Committee - Arafat's main power base - by involving its members in his cabinet. These initial steps, believes Rosenblum, illustrate that it is possible to tie Arafat in without trying to remove him from power which would immediately trigger a backlash. But Qurei will need Israel's help to consolidate his power.

"The US will have to influence Israel to help Qurei deliver," says Rosenblum.

Rosenblum also does not criticise the Palestinians, who failed to fulfill their obligations to curb terror and



Mark Rosenblum

dismantle at least parts of the terrorist infrastructure. He adds, however, that the road map was too vague when it came to the steps to be undertaken by the Palestinian Authority (PA). "The tasks that are assigned to the PA must be consistent with their current capacities," says Rosenblum. He thinks that there are some concrete and doable tasks that the PA should be required to carry out, such as the dismantlement of rocket and missile workshops in Gaza and the closing of the tunnels between Egypt and Gaza that are used for weapons smuggling.

The issue of the tunnels also needs more serious involvement on Egypt's part, Rosenblum believes. But on the whole, he explains, the PA's capacity to take on the extremists groups has been significantly reduced by Israel itself. It is, therefore, not realistic by Israel to demand a wholesale clampdown on Hamas and Islamic Jihad from the PA.

Israel's building of a security fence has also created much controversy and Rosenblum believes that the fence is a justified security measure as long as it follows the green line. Unfortunately, according to Rosenblum, the current route of the fence is nothing short of a disaster for

the future of any meaningful peace process. Building sections of the fence deep inside the West Bank and without dismantling settlements, Israel is showing that it is not interested in real negotiations, Rosenblum says.

The settlements are also a sensitive topic and Rosenblum wants American Jews to understand that they are in fact a burden on Israel's security. He also stresses that, according to polls, the majority of settlers would be willing to move back to Israel proper in the framework of a final deal. "The settlers who can be described as problematic comprise only two to seven percent of the settler population."

Despite the apparent deterioration in recent weeks, Rosenblum sees a clear chance for a diplomatic solution. "The majority of the Palestinian population is terrified by the breakdown of law and order in the PA territories and the emer-

gence of "warlordism" in certain areas," he says.

This, he explains, should bode well for a renewed effort by a new Palestinian cabinet to re-establish central authority and to wrestle control from the militants. But what is needed now is a decision on Israel's part to move ahead on a diplomatic initiative and a strong involvement by the US. This, Rosenblum thinks, would enable the new Palestinian leadership to carry out limited but concrete steps in tackling some of the security issues and slowly re-establishing law on order under its authority, allowing the eventual redeployment of Israeli troops from Palestinian towns and cities.

Mark Rosenblum's lecture, *What next for Israel: can we have hope without delusion?* takes place Monday November 3, at 7:30 pm at Temple Israel, 1301 Prince of Wales Drive. Admission is free.

Documentary films featured during Holocaust Education Week

On Thursday, November 6, at 7:30 pm at the Canadian War Museum, 330 Sussex Drive, the story of the Warsaw ghetto and how the Jews fought back will be screened. *Uprising* is the stirring tale of people and events involved in the largest campaign of armed resistance to Nazi terror during the Second World War.

The award-winning documentary, *Sugihara: Conspiracy of Kindness*, will be featured Sunday, November 9 at 7:00 pm, during the Kristallnacht Commemoration at Ben Franklin Place (formerly Nepean City Hall), 101 Centrepointe Drive. The film is the story of Chiune Sugihara,

a Japanese diplomat who single-handedly saved more than 2,000 lives. The film chronicles the fascinating relationship between the Japanese and the Jews during the 1930s and 40s and is a testament to the powerful statement that one man can make a difference.

Producer Diane Estelle Vicari and Beryl Redal, whose father was saved by Sugihara, will be participating and available for discussion and questions. Following the program, candle-lighting in memory of the victims of Kristallnacht will take place.

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For the students at Yitzhak Rabin High School (YRHS), that message has not been lost. Several of them gathered together to make phone calls for Super Week, which helped to raise \$311,819 for Jewish communities around the world, in just five days.

"Maxine Rabinovitch [executive director at YRHS] was looking for volunteers, because the school benefits from UJA," said Leah Schweitzer, 14.

"Besides, it's good to give back to the community that you take from."

Schweitzer, along with her schoolmate, Jackie Huberman, also 14, came out for one evening to make several phone calls, and to actively support the community.

"It never hurts to help others, including people in Israel, to let them know that we're here for them," said Huberman.

Both young women felt that contributing to a variety of charities means more than just dollars and cents. "If people cannot contribute money, they can find other ways to help," they said.

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Shalom chastises Chirac over Mahathir tirade

By Herb Kelson

Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom slammed France for blocking efforts to include a condemnation of Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad's anti-Semitic tirade in the concluding resolutions of an EU summit.

According to an AP report, French President Jacques Chirac, backed by Greek Prime Minister Costas Simitis, stopped the EU from ending its summit with a harshly worded statement deploring Mahathir's speech.

Shalom expressed "deep disappointment regarding President Chirac's refusal to condemn the Malaysian prime minister's anti-Semitic remarks," a foreign ministry spokesman said.

"It is a shame that France, a leading country, has even the slightest understanding or acceptance of such anti-Semitic remarks," Shalom said at the cabinet meeting.

"We cannot accept from

any country less than a full dismissal and condemnation of remarks of this kind."

Michel Miraillet, the Charges d'affaires at the French embassy in Tel Aviv, said that Shalom "should have verified the information" before condemning France, and not "rely on the press."

According to Miraillet, Chirac did not want to include a condemnation of the statement in the EU resolutions because of concern it would get lost among a number of other resolutions dealing with a wide variety of issues.

Rather, Miraillet said, the proper channel was for Italy, which holds the rotating presidency of the EU, to issue a condemnation.

Indeed, the Italian presidency issued a condemnation deploring Mahathir's comment, saying "such words hinder all our efforts to further inter-ethnic and religious harmony, and have

absolutely no place in a tolerant world."

Maurice Gourault-Montagne, a key aid to Chirac, passed along a similar explanation of the incident to Israel's ambassador to France, Nissim Zvilli. Gourault-Montagne said that Chirac was hurt by the criticism he came under, and that many things can be said about Chirac, but that he is not an anti-Semite.

Chirac wrote a personal letter to Mahathir condemning the statement. The letter came following reports in Malaysian newspapers that Mahathir had expressed gratitude to Chirac for his "understanding" of the speech.

In his letter, Chirac wrote that "Your remarks on the rule of Jews gave rise to very strong disapproval in France and in the world." Chirac added that "these remarks can only be condemned by all who preserve the memory of the Holocaust."



Silvan Shalom

The reports that France blocked a condemnation from the summit triggered angry responses in Israel, with government officials in

Jerusalem saying Jews the world over should "think twice" before travelling to France or buying French products.

One official asked how France can now expect to have a part in the Middle East diplomatic process. "The Jews are past the age where you can spit in their face and they will wipe it off and say it is rain," the official said.

Ma'ariv went even further, with a front page headline – along side an unflattering picture of Chirac – reading, "France's anti-Semitic face."

Ma'ariv editor Amnon

Dankner wrote in a front page column that Chirac, by blocking the EU condemnation, has placed himself among the ranks of the French anti-Semites who accused Alfred Dreyfus of treason, the French who collaborated with the Nazis during World War II, and Vichy leader Henri Petain.

Miraillet said that the French embassy "does not understand this French-bashing exercise." He termed Dankner's column "totally unacceptable," and said, "For those who know Chirac, calling him anti-Semitic is insulting."

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Islamic summit host: Muslims of the world to unite – against Jews

By JPost.com staff

"They succeeded in gaining control in most of the [world's] powerful states, and they – a tiny community – became a world power.

"But 1.3 billion Muslims must not be defeated by a few million Jews. A way must be found."

Thus opined the prime minister of Malaysia, Mahathir Muhammad at the opening of the two-day Organization of Islamic States summit he hosted in Putrajaya, Malaysia,

"The Europeans killed six million Jews out of 12 million, but today the Jews are in control of the world via their proxies. They lead others to fight and die for them."

Warming to the anti-Semitic theme, the Palestinian delegate Mohammad a-Farrah said, "If we are weak, no one will support us. The Israelis respect only the strong, and we must therefore all unite."

The two-day conference is the biggest in three years, with senior representatives

from 57 nations participating.

Pakistan's Pervez Musharraf has been a leading progressive voice at the conference.

"We stand at crossroad of our future destiny," Australia's ABC reported him saying.

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Step aside, Regis Philbin, 'cause here comes Laurence Wall!

By Cynthia Nyman Engel

Yes, CBC's mellow-voiced newscaster Laurence Wall has agreed to put aside his radio script for one night to act as the host of 'Who Wants to be a Jewish Millionaire Billionaire?', a challenging, fun-filled evening of Jewish trivia questions complete with a slew of superb prizes to be awarded.

The fundraiser, sponsored by AJA50+, takes place on Saturday, November 15, 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of the Soloway JCC, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private. Tickets are \$10 per person. Light refreshments will be available for sale.

"The prizes are really wonderful," says AJA 50+ Fundraising Chair Joyce Bellman. "Needless to say, we'd love to be able to award the billion suggested in the title but, believe me, the assortment of goodies we're giving away runs a close second."

The format of the evening will follow that of the popular game show, 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire?' Contestants will be challenged to



Laurence Wall

step up to the 'hot seat' to answer Jewish trivia questions about Israel, religion, culture and the local community. The questions will become increasingly difficult as the player ascends the ladder of 15 questions.

As they are on the model show, contestants will be provided three opportunities for assistance. These will take the form of polling the audience, 50/50, or requesting a new question should the contestant get stuck. Prizes will be awarded at predetermined levels of play. To add to the fun, the questions and answers will be displayed on a big screen.

"You don't have to be

Jewish to be a contestant," chuckles AJA 50+ Membership Chair Rhoda Zaitlin. "but it sure will help if you've got a good grasp of things Jewish."

"We promise our contestants and our audience a good time, a little mental stimulation and, who knows, maybe even a prize or two," she adds.

To purchase tickets or enquire about becoming a contestant, contact Estelle Gunner, 829-2455; Flo Morgan, 224-8386; Paula Polisuk, 736-7376.

AJA 50+ (Active Jewish Adults 50+) is a not-for-profit, volunteer-led organization whose 550+ members enjoy a wide range of cultural, recreational, fitness and health-related programming geared to meet the needs of the 50+ Jewish population living in Ottawa. Successful fundraising allows AJA 50+ to maintain its low annual membership rate, assist with transportation for seniors and provide subsidies as needed. For membership information contact Rhoda Zaitlin (829-2634).

Arts Alive, November 1 - 2

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new Jewish immigrants to Canada. The theme of Arts Alive 2003 explores how these traditions continue to resonate in our art, music and memories."

The people in Rudki/1939 are a group of the artist's deceased European relatives. It is a silkscreen, a medium that Borisonik's often works in, which incorporates all different things like prints, newspaper or cloth, used in any way to add to the final image.

The Yiddish in the background of Rudki/1939, for example, doesn't say anything specific, it is merely there to let you know that these are Jewish people.

Borisonik's grandparents were originally from Russia and moved to Argentina where she spent most of her life. She received a degree in architecture from the

National University of Buenos Aires and studied visual arts at the National School of Fine Arts. In 1989 she came to Canada and became a member of the Jewish Artists Guild and earned a degree in visual arts from the Ottawa School of Art where she studied drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture and photography.

The artist recently had a showing at Ben Franklin place in Centrepointe entitled *Kaleidoscope* where she showcased her urban landscapes.

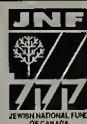
"We all carry our baggage, it keeps adding to the art. It is part of history and does show up in a lot of work, you can see it in the landscapes, they are obviously not from here," says Borisonik on how her history is reflected in her art.

Aside from Borisonik, other artists at the Arts Alive

Marketplace include Andrew Fainer, Karen and Yoav Dvaja, Debora Cosman and Aranyani Rosen."

Some of the vendors who will be there to showcase their wares are Eric Zunder, 5th Avenue Jewellers, Third Story Upbeat Creation, Hats for Gals, Hebrew Books, Israel's, Dead Sea Premier Cosmetics, Smile Educational Toys and Flower Arrangements by Marilyn.

On Sunday Evening at 6:30pm Ensemble Muzika: Isaac Muzikansky & Friends will perform Klezmer and Russian music. Following that will be *Seekers of Happiness*, an example of a propaganda film urging Jews to give up their religious ties and adept to a new life on collective farms in the Soviet Jewish Autonomous Region on the Chinese border. The film is in Russian with English sub-titles.



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Spectacular Negev dinner planned

Excitement is mounting as the various and sundry committees put the final touches in place for the 2003 JNF Negev Dinner honouring Vera Klein on Wednesday, November 5 at Machzikei Hadas Congregation. The evening begins with cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7. Reliable sources report that the taste test was "incredible" and promise "an outstanding evening of superb cuisine."

The funds raised from the 2003 Negev Dinner Campaign will be used toward creating the Vera and Leslie Klein Family Garden, a rest and picnic area for soldiers and their families in the navy base of Bat Galim near Haifa. This project is much more than a "goodwill" gesture from JNF to the Israel Defense Forces as it will allow Israeli families to meet with their children, most often on Shabbat, who are unable to leave the base and who are working tirelessly to help protect Israel's security. These meeting places will provide the soldiers and their families with shade trees to block Israel's intense sun, as well as picnic benches, water fountains and restrooms. These are seen as important and tangible ways to improve the conditions in the army for Israeli youngsters. Currently, there is no such area for these special times, and family and friends are relegated to visiting and picnicking with the young soldiers on the sun-drenched, unforgiving asphalt of the base.

That Mrs. Klein chose this project is very much in keeping with who she is. Although as CEO of the Boyd Group of companies she directs five different divisions that do everything from residential moving to corporate warehousing and distribution, and has given tirelessly of her time and energy to many worthy causes in the community, Vera is first and foremost a wife and mother. On a recent visit to Israel, she made a point of setting aside a day to identify - by physically visiting a number of locations - the project that reflects her strong family feelings.

Senator Laurier L. LaPierre, O.C. is the keynote speaker. Senator LaPierre, a past recipient of Bnai Brith's Media Human Rights Award, is widely-known and respected across Canada for his extraordinary achievements as an author, journalist, commentator and educator.

Join JNF's tribute to Vera Klein, "Whom the community delighteth to honour." For information, call the JNF office (798-2411).

Bar Mitzvah celebrant

Mazal Tov and Yasher Koach to Ira Marcovitch who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah recently. His proud parents chose to add a meaningful dimension to the milestone in their son's life by inscribing his name in the Sefer Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Ira has an open invitation to visit KKL/JNF offices whenever he is in Jerusalem and request permission to view the inscription.

Golden Book Inscription

On the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah, Daniel Cherney has been inscribed in the Golden Book by his proud grandparents, Dorothy and Herb Nadolny.

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Legacy: 'The Giant of Schwartz Shtima'

By Kinneret Globerman

Charles Gross has always lifted weights. Forty-five pounds in each hand used to be routine. But two years ago, the Ottawa resident suffered a heart attack and had to scale down his weight lifting. Now, he's "playing around" with five-pound dumb-bells. Gross is 87 years old.

Surprising, maybe, that a man of his age should be so strong but not so surprising to him and his family. He is simply the continuation of a legacy that began with his great-grandfather, Chaim Holfin; a legacy that has found its way through successive generations and that Charles Gross has paid tribute to in his book, *The Giant of Schwartz Shtima*.

Chaim Holfin was a Jewish "giant." Tall and strong, he was legendary in the southern Ukraine where he was born circa 1795 (and died 103 years later). Plucked from his shtetl town of the "black steeple" for service in the Russian army, he returned years later, much to the surprise of his family who had long given him up for dead.

"He was so illustrious," says Gross. "My great-grandfather came back to Schwartz Shtima when he was 38. He had survived, and he got that strong because he was raised on *chazer* (pig meat)! He was the marvel of the countryside. He had the only *schenk* (bar) for miles around."



Charles Gross, author of *The Giant of Schwartz Shtima*, will appear at Arts Alive on Sunday, November 2, 4:00 pm at the Soloway JCC.

While Gross would lift dumb-bells, his great-grandfather was lifting Mijiks, two at a time, and tossing them out of his tavern when they got a little too boisterous. Holfin, the giant, was such a part of Gross' family folklore that Gross' daughter, Geraldine, encouraged her father to get the stories down on paper. The result is a self-published book that tells one family's history of how they migrated from a Ukrainian shtetl to a new life on the Canadian prairies.

On a week-long visit last January, Gross and daughter Geraldine (who lives in Vancouver, has a doctorate in comparative literature, and teaches English) worked on putting the book together.

"We gathered up all the old tales," says Gross. "They were lying in envelopes all over the place. Some of them were typed with two fingers on an old typewriter."

Gross had written many almost 50 years ago. Geraldine spent a couple of

Gross writes about his "Mama," his "Papa," and the hardships they faced. And he writes about his siblings. There is very little written about the adult Gross.

"I lived a Monday life," he says. "[My life] was so damn soft. I looked after a family. I rode a swivel chair to victory at National Defence Headquarters."

Gross may have been rejected from the army because of a heart murmur, yet he was probably stronger than many of the men who enlisted, thanks to his great-grandfather. One need only take a look around at his cozy apartment to marvel at the carvings he used to do from 50-pound log-pieces of cypress root, or ash, or walnut - huge heads that really would require a giant of a man to lift and carry. It's only recently that he's had to forego the "giant" pieces and turn, instead, to carving unusual and imaginative walking sticks.

As he writes in his book: "Time has washed over me... [I am] the eldest of three sons... My surname is Gross, but through my mother, Ida Kassie, I am descended from the famous Giant of Schwartz Shtima, Chaim Holfin."

Charles Gross and his daughter Geraldine will be at Arts Alive Cultural Fair, Sunday November 2, at 4:00 pm at the SJCC. Copies of the book will be available.

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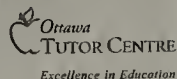
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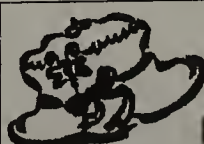
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VAAD Report

Bonnie Merovitz
UJA Women's
Campaign Chair

Editor's note: Vaad President Arnie Vered has arranged to share his column, on occasion, with the chairs or presidents of the community's major beneficiary agencies or committees so that they can provide some insight into their operations.

If we are to help our fellow Jews, we must appreciate and understand what is happening abroad and at home.

I had the opportunity to be part of the Ottawa's mission to Israel in May. It was a markedly different experience from my previous visits and I was able to gain a lot of insight.

My husband and I arrived ahead of the mission and, with two other couples, visited Jaffa on our first day. There are wonderful artisan shops, art galleries and restaurants along the alleyways that feed onto the plaza. There was not a soul there that day, but for the six of us. It was eerie. Restaurants & shops were boarded up.

We continued our walk and came across two groups of very young school age children on an outing to the museum

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housed below the plaza. Visibly armed bodyguards accompanied them.

Imagine, as a mother, kissing your child goodbye in the morning and not knowing if your child will be safe, or if you will see your child at the end of the day. This is their reality.

Over the past three years, the terror attacks have resulted in over 700 deaths and over 5000 injuries.

Statistics alone are cold. They do not tell the story of an individual life lost, of dreams of sons and daughters that will not be realized, of the families whose lives will forever be changed.

We met the true heroes and heroines of the ongoing turmoil.

We met Sharon Evans, a mother from Ashkelon whose daughter Monique was mowed down at an army bus stop.

Monique's injuries were so extensive that she was given less than a one per cent chance of surviving that first night.

Miracles do happen. After months of therapy, Monique left the hospital. She was told she would never walk again. Monique, a dancer, and Sharon worked together until Monique did walk, and this summer Monique was married.

Sharon has now started a program known as "adopt a family" to help those

families who are victims of terror attacks, who do not have a support system, connect with groups in the Diaspora. This is her way of giving back for what was almost taken from her.

At Tel Hashomer, a regional trauma center, we met Kinneret, a young woman who in a terror attack sustained burns to 60 per cent of her body. She was obviously scarred, but though visibly marred, her inner beauty shone through. She was not bitter; she did not express hatred towards her perpetrators. Her attitude was one of "this happened."

"I have an incredible support system. I take one day at a time. I am moving forward."

Our contribution to the annual UJA campaign helps people like Monique and Kinneret move forward.

Being in Israel during Yom Hazikaron (memorial day) where everything comes to a stand still as the sirens blare, where there is a freezing of the moment, immediately followed by the continuation of life, was surreal.

We sit here in relative comfort, both economically as well as emotionally. We are not on the frontlines in Israel, but we can be soldiers in the economic war.

We can also ensure that our parents,

our bubbies and zaidas continue to have a quality Jewish life at our beautiful Hillel Lodge. We can ensure that our children have quality Jewish education, for they are our future. We can ensure that the vulnerable in our community – those who are financially strapped, those who are dealing with abuse, those who are challenged – do not feel isolated and know they have the support of their Jewish community. We can ensure that we provide quality Jewish cultural programs for our community. We can ensure that a social safety net is returned to our brethren in Israel.

Additionally, we can continue to assist the victims of terror. We can advocate here in Canada to combat anti-Semitism, to help our students on the campuses, so we do not have another Concordia incident. We can ensure that the Argentinean Jewish community is not alone.

This is what the second line of this year's campaign known as Israel Relief and Advocacy Fund is about.

UJA is not a charity. The obligation of the Jewish people is to perform *tsedakah*, which translates as justice. We must do justice for our greater Jewish community so that the "bricks and mortar" which we have established continue to be strong.



From the pulpit

Rabbi Menachem Blum
OTC Chabad

Before Rosh Hashanah, I visited local Jewish schools with a workshop called the 'Shofar Factory.' The children actually cleaned, drilled, sanded and polished a ram's horn to create a genuine kosher Shofar. Visiting a preschool group, I began my presentation by hiding a Shofar behind my back, and I asked the little ones if they could iden-

tify "something we will see in shul on Rosh Hashanah which we don't see there the whole year?" "Yes, rabbi," pipes up a very adorable little girl, age four, "my mother!"

This is a very cute story, yet a reality.

When this issue goes to print the *Tishrei* holiday season will have come to a close. In this past month of *Tishrei* we experienced the days of awe, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and the joyous days of Succot and Simchat Torah. This is a time when we all feel the need to belong ... to be there when it happens ... a time when the bond between the essence of our soul and God's essence is revealed. This is a connection that is not cre-

Hit the road, Jacob

ated by human service, but exists naturally: the soul's essence is literally a part of God, which "clings and cleaves to God to affirm His oneness." Just as this bond is not formed by human service, so, too, it is not weakened or diminished by sin.

This month is now over and we all go back to our everyday ordinary life, fulfilling our unique mission in life.

Some congregations have the custom to announce as the holidays end "And Jacob went on his way" (Genesis 32:2). The reason for this custom is that at the end of *Tishrei* a transition is taking place. We have spent a full month praying, celebrating and being in

tuned with spirituality, now that the holidays are over, it is the time when we get back into our regular daily routine of being involved in worldly matters. This announcement reminds us that we have a special way that Jacob our father paved for the Jewish people, which is to pursue our daily affairs for the sake of heaven.

This past month grants us the ability to suffice our weekday activities during the whole year with spirituality. We are now armed with the deep inspiration and energy that we have received from celebrating all the holidays and we are ready to hit the road. The next step is OURS!

Pirkei Avot: the wisdom of our sages

By Rabbi Steven Garten

Perhaps the most well known Rabbi of the first century was Hillel. Perhaps his most famous statement appears in this month's citation from Pirkei Avot. Hillel would say: "If I am not for myself, who is for me? And when I am for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?"

This statement sets up a remarkable tension between selfishness and selflessness. You cannot neglect your own needs. Neither can you attend only to your own needs. The tension is not resolved but heightened; you have to make a decision right away. It would be difficult to imagine a more profound and complete account of the moral human being, trying to keep in

balance the ultimately irreconcilable demands of life, the inescapable requirement to meet those demands every day.

We all can relate to the conflicting demands between work and home, our responsibility to the Jewish community and the broader community we live in, the need for peace and the need for justice, the need to work for a just society and the need to support democracy.

Hillel does not let us off easily. We Jews, he says, live in a constant state of tension always balancing, like a fiddler on the roof. What keeps us from falling is our resolve to never live without the tension. As soon as we lean to far to one side we slip and fall.

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Editor

Barry Fishman

This is the tale of a German city that desperately wants to make amends and reconcile with its Jewish citizens who survived the Shoah. It is also the story of a German city that is about to build a synagogue so Jews will return to live there.

The city is Bochum, population 400,000, located 80 km east of the Rhine River near the border with Holland. Since 1995, under the leadership of Mayor Ernst-Otto Stuber and Dr. Hubert Schneider, a professor of history at Ruhr-Universität Bochum, 100 survivors have visited from all over the world.

The city is in the process of building a memorial for the Jews of Bochum who perished in the Shoah and plans are under way to build a new synagogue. Also, 1,200 mostly elderly, poor Russian Jews have moved there to live.

So why are they doing this? That was one of the questions I put to Dr. Morris Schnitzer of Ottawa who, except for a short three-hour visit in 1981, has not been back to Bochum since leaving on a 'Kindertransport' in 1938. Schnitzer was able to survive the Shoah by taking on three different identities and staying one step ahead of the Nazis. He wrote a book about his war years entitled, *My Three Selves*.



How I see it

Bob Dale

Nepean This Week is a community newspaper delivered weekly to 43,000 homes in the former City of Nepean, as an insert in the Ottawa Citizen. NTW's mandate, or so I thought, is to publish items about businesses, sports, and cultural events in Nepean. NTW is also used by municipal and provincial politicians to show their constituents that they are on top of local issues, such as the preservation of wooded areas when developers open new subdivisions to meet the regions' ever-growing housing needs.

Imagine my surprise when I opened the October 3 issue of NTW, and found an offensive anti-Israel cartoon on the editorial page. The cartoon depicted Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, with blinders on, driving a jeep away from signs that said Palestinian State and Peace Process, towards signs that said Settlements, Security Fence, and Dead End. Yasser Arafat, shown as a passenger in Mr. Sharon's car, was hitting the Israeli leader over the head, trying to get him to turn back. George W. Bush was shown in the back seat, puzzled

Making amends in Germany

The book led to an invitation for an all-expenses-paid visit and, along with his brother Edmund, from Montreal, he visited Bochum in September.

They were treated as very important visitors. They had lunch with the mayor and met with him three times along with other city, business, cultural, religious and educational leaders of the community.

A poignant moment for the Schnitzers came when they were shown Professor Schneider's book, *Gedenkbuch (Book of Remembrance)* of the victims of the Shoah from Bochum and Wattenscheid. The well-researched and beautifully designed book contained Kaddish for the victims and the names of the 2,000 Jews from Bochum who were thought to have perished. The professor was pleased that he could remove Morris and Edmund's names from the planned city memorial structure for victims of the Holocaust.

Morris Schnitzer has "high praise" for Professor Schneider, the mayor and the volunteer group Bochumer Bürgerverein (Bochum Citizens' Association) for their work on remembering the Holocaust and for reconciliation. The association's motto is 'Remember the past in order to have a future.' Wherever he went, Schnitzer was treated with respect and dignity. However, he is also realistic enough to know that a change in government could mean a different attitude towards Jews.

In Bochum, it seems, they miss the Jews.

On several occasions, Schnitzer was told how disappointed they were that the German Jews, "who contributed so much to German culture, economy, medicine, arts, history science and every field of German endeavour, hadn't come back to Germany." It was, he was told, "a tremendous loss for Germany."

Schnitzer feels the Germans he met "are sincere and sorry about what happened and want to make up." He believes German Jews are very highly appreciated and "are considered like very valuable relics in a museum, of a past that Germany has to come to grips with."

Schnitzer couldn't get a satisfactory answer to why they were bringing in and financially supporting so many elderly Russian Jews. Were they trying to make amends for what happened to so many European Jews by rescuing the Russian Jews and giving them a better life? Wouldn't it make more sense to support them in Israel?

It wasn't until he returned home and received a newsletter from Bochum that he understood why the government and philanthropists were spending over 10 million dollars to build a synagogue. According to what he read, the purpose of the new synagogue, located in the best part of town, was "to be a visible sign of Jews and non-Jews living together in Bochum." For the Germans, Schnitzer believes "the synagogue symbolizes that they have normalized the situation and now have Jews living in Bochum."

Actually, with all due respect to the people of Bochum, the whole scheme reminds me of the baseball movie, *Field of Dreams* when Kevin Costner is told, "If you build it [baseball diamond], they will come."

As Schnitzer pointed out, a synagogue is much more than a building. It needs a vibrant community well versed in Judaism that can support and run programs.

Schnitzer is right to praise the Germans for their sincerity and conciliatory manner.

He also has a warning for us. Until he started talking about Israel, Schnitzer said he really believed that anti-Semitism in Bochum was perhaps a thing of the past. However, he recognized "the intensity of how they were building up hatred" towards Israel as a new form of anti-Semitism that is now unfortunately popular throughout Europe.

As we approach Holocaust Education Week, it is uplifting to hear that a German city is making amends.

I hope the good citizens of Bochum reflect on what happened to their old synagogue on Kristallnacht and the 2,000 Jewish citizens who perished, and realize that demonizing Israel and blaming it for all Middle East problems is, in effect, a form of anti-Semitism. If they understand this, their new synagogue and memorial will have a deeper meaning for their Jewish citizens. Bochum will be a much more welcoming place.

Not this week, Nepean

about why Mr. Sharon was driving away from the route towards peace.

The cartoon was offensive for two reasons. One, of course, was its content. The other was that it critiqued matters that were outside the newspaper's usual community focus, as well as its scope of knowledge (which, according to a friend of mine, is limited to commentary about garbage and snow removal). I spent a good part of the day alerting members of our community about the cartoon, urging them to contact the editor of NTW to complain and demand an apology. If you live in the former City of Nepean and I had your e-mail address, you probably got an e-mail from me. I personally reached about 75 people, and I'm told my e-mail was forwarded to many others. The next issue of NTW featured seven strongly-worded, critical letters from concerned members of our community. I thank the authors, as well as any others who sent letters that were not published, for responding so quickly and forcefully. By the way, the editor never apologized for publishing material that one letter-writer said reminded her of a Nazi cartoon that vilified Jews.

Unfortunately, I strongly suspect that this episode goes well beyond one misguided editor living in Nepean. When I worked for a national labour union, I wrote articles

putting forward the union's views about a wide range of issues. They included pieces about traditional union concerns like wages and working conditions, but also covered topics like free trade and globalization. I deliberately sprinkled those articles with references to municipal matters to make them appear that they had been written locally, and then sent them to union offices in places like Halifax, Winnipeg and Red Deer. There, they were signed by union officials, before being mailed to local newspapers, including organs like NTW, which published them because they allegedly represented the views of people living in their communities. Our hope was that these articles would thereby influence peoples' opinions about the issues our union supported.

The NTW cartoon discussed earlier was credited to a cartoonist with the Osprey Media Group, the owner of NTW. Osprey Media publishes and distributes newspapers in 50 markets in Ontario, serving over 1.3 million households. That reader base is impressive, especially since Osprey only began operations just two years ago when its managing body, comprised mainly of former Southam executives, acquired a group of local newspapers from Conrad Black's Hollinger Corporation. They followed this up with the acquisition of another group of community papers from Torstar

Corporation, the owner of the Toronto Star. Osprey also owns the Kingston Whig-Standard, and according to its corporate web page, has ambitious expansion plans.

Given Osprey's growing media reach, I am quite concerned about its perspective on the Middle East. Has Osprey developed a series of anti-Israel cartoons and/or editorial pieces aimed at convincing readers across the province that Mr. Arafat's terrorist actions, including homicide bombings, are somehow justified; while Israel's defensive actions are not? To what extent have these pieces (including cartoons) been published in other Osprey papers across the province? How have readers reacted? Frankly, I don't know. However it's tough enough putting across the case for Israel's legitimate security needs, without having Osprey Media trying to influence public opinion at the local level through vehicles such as NTW, just like my former employer tried to influence readers' views about globalization.

That's why I think that one or more of our national organizations, like the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'Nai Brith, ought to investigate this matter further. I look forward to reading their analysis of this situation, and seeing their action plan to counter the dissemination of anti-Israel propaganda at the local level.

Mailbag

JFS deficit reason singles program cut

I have been reading the letters to the editor and articles about some of the services that Jewish Family Services delivers. I feel I have to comment.

We have been a very active player in seeking out needs in the Jewish community and trying to meet them. The needs of single Jewish people in Ottawa are important not only from the individual's point of view of meeting other singles, marrying Jewish and not being alone, but also from a Jewish community

perspective. For the individual, meeting other Jewish singles has tremendous implications for their well being. For the community, Jewish singles meeting Jewish singles has tremendous implications for Jewish continuity. The question is whether we want to help secure a Jewish future for our young people and community?

JFS has had to take on the responsibility single-handedly, as we have done with a large number of Jewish communal issues. We find employment opportunities for unemployed local Jews,

and for new Canadians. For the latter we have successfully accessed government funding with other settlement agencies. We are now helping families with special needs children. Our Street Smarts program attempts to reach Jewish homeless and make them, in a small way, feel part of community.

Recently, we have brought in special speakers to raise community awareness of spousal abuse, and of raising teens and the related intergenerational conflicts, both issues within the Jewish community.

Our primary source of funds for these programs has been private donations. Although private fundraising has increased at a remarkable rate, the amounts have not kept pace with actual need. We are currently running a deficit that would force the agency into insolvency, if we did not make some changes. The only fiscally viable approach is to reduce costs

and that has forced us to do triage and continue the most urgent services.

We regret having to cut programs like Futures, but without additional financial support it will not work. I will be asking people on the Futures mailing list to set up a steering committee and help us, help them. There are possibilities that we can explore together. Barry Fishman suggested that singles may want to take responsibility; we can and will help.

As far as the community goes, there are tremendous needs in the wider Jewish community that are not being addressed due to lack of financial resources. These have tremendous impact on affiliation, Jewish identification and quality of Jewish life for individuals. JFS is painfully aware of how badly these can impact on an individual's well-being. We would welcome collaboration in helping make Ottawa a better home for many of our Jewish citizens.

Mark Zarecki,
Executive Director
Jewish Family Services

Ra: How two Ottawa rabbis see it (intermarriage - Bulletin September 29, 2003)

Rabbi Garten's statement, "It is important to make people understand that they cannot choose who they fall in love with ..." is surprising.

Rabbi Garten is implying that falling in love and marrying is a strictly emotional, irrational process over which we have no control. On the contrary, falling in love and marrying is comprised of a series of very important choices and decisions, starting with the choice of whom to date in

the first place, and the eventual decision to pursue a relationship. Modern courtship, along with candlelight and roses, is a conscious constructive process, with an inherent intellectual element.

Humans have strong emotions, but it is our ability to restrain ourselves, to not act on every impulse, which separates us from animals.

No matter how one may feel about intermarriage, to claim that we cannot choose with whom we fall in love is simply not valid.

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The Centre of Your Life

Russian community holds a 'Torah Day' at Young Israel

By Chaya Moynat

They live among us, but we don't see them.

They may wish to get closer, but they are largely ignored.

This is the fate of the close to 2,000 Russian-speaking Jews living in Ottawa.

Undeterred, a group of observant Russian-speaking Jews decided to take action and bring Torah to their assimilated comrades-in-language.

"While Jewish Family Services of Ottawa bring important elements to the lives of those Russian Jews, what they urgently need now is Torah," explained Nachum Weisz.

As such, a "Torah Day" was organized.

Russian-speaking Jews put together a Keiruv program comprising both basic Torah learning and social activities, including a children's program. Rabbi Eli-ahu Krupnick, who holds a PhD in mathematics and is a student at the Kollel in



Russian-speaking Jews living in Ottawa put together a Keiruv program comprising both basic Torah learning and social activities, including a children's program. Thirty-nine adults and 14 children attended the event at Young Israel.

Montreal, was assisted by Simcha Tomashpolski, a computer scientist, to teach the seminars. A total of 39 adults and 14 children attended the event at Young Israel.

The day started with morning-prayer service, followed by a meet-and-greet breakfast. Rabbi Krupnick lectured on "The Place of Torah in the Creation," and Igor Egorov and Aharon

Zohar gave an inspiring music program to which everyone enthusiastically participated.

After lunch, Irma Sobko, who emigrated from Moscow recently, spoke on

"The Place of the Ethical Values of Torah in the World's History." A second lecture was on "Homoeopathy and Torah."

For participant Dina Dynkin, "the seminar proved to be an exceptional occasion to experience and learn much about the Jewish religion, its history, tradition, and family life."

Another participant felt grateful for having been given the opportunity to hear talented and relevant speakers and reconnect with Judaism through songs and kosher food.

Energized by the success of this one-day adventure,

Weisz is already planning ahead. Rabbi Israel Karpilovsky from the Jewish Russian Community Centre (JRCC) will be in Ottawa on December 7 to talk about the meaning of Chanukah.

"We hope to hold events such as these as frequently as possible to be able to bring Torah to the heart of this small and forgotten community."

"For this, we will require the help of the community to participate in and recognize the importance of this great mitzvah!" explained Weisz enthusiastically.

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Resonance –
Between the Old World and the New

Israel to build seven industrial parks for Palestinians

By Yehezkel Laing

Israel will implement a plan to build seven industrial parks for Palestinians in Judea, Samaria, and the Gaza Strip, the coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories announced. The parks are expected to cost tens of millions of shekels.

The industrial parks will be based on the industrial park near the Erez checkpoint and will be built on both sides of the



Ehud Olmert

Green Line. Industrial parks will be built in

Mukeibila near Jenin, Hadori near Tulkarm, Tarkumiya near Hebron, and near Atarot north of Jerusalem. In addition to the industrial parks, two commercial centers will be established where Palestinians will be able to sell their wares to Israelis.

Prior to the start of the current conflict, Israelis used to spend hundreds of millions of shekels a year in Palestinian markets throughout the territories.

The parks are intended to help solve the unemployment problem in the Palestinian Authority-controlled territories, which in some places has reached 50 per cent. Due to the scarcity of industry in the territories, most Palestinians are dependent on Israeli companies for employment. But the IDF began cracking down on Palestinians

crossing the Green Line in response to terrorist attacks.

Establishment of the parks follows a decision by Industry, Trade, and Labor Minister Ehud Olmert to continue economic cooperation with the PA in spite of terrorist attacks. According to Olmert, the new industrial parks will not be a security problem since the

Palestinian workers will not cross the Green Line. He has appointed the director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, Avigdor Yitzhaki, to head a ministerial steering committee to study the plan.

Maj.-Gen. Yosef Mishlav and Col. Itzik Gurevitch are the main architects of the plan.

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Elta Systems to work with Raytheon on missile protection systems project

By Zev Stubb

Elta Systems, an Israel Aircraft Industries subsidiary based in Ashdod, is working with Raytheon to compete for a US contract to equip commercial aircraft with missile protection systems.

The joint system, dubbed "SafeFlight," combines Elta's missile approach warning system and Raytheon's countermeasure dispensing system

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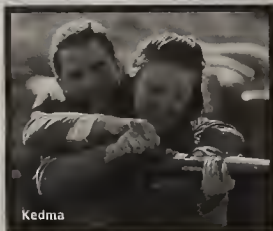
AMOS GITAI Amos Gita, Marie-Josée Sanselme Andrei Kashkar, Helena Yeralova, Yusef Abu Warda, Moni Moshonov, Juliano Merr

It's May 7, 1948, and shortly the state of Israel will be declared. An old leaky cargo ship, the Kedma, is steaming towards Palestine with a boatload of Jewish refugees. Survivors of the Holocaust, they are desperately seeking new lives in the "Promised Land." In this film, we follow two groups of passengers of the Kedma after they disembark from the ship. One group is rescued from the awaiting British forces by the Palmach, only to face further danger. The others find themselves thrown together with a group of Arab refugees fleeing the nascent state of Israel.

An elderly Arab, Yussuf, laments the destruction of his farm while a Jewish-Polish survivor believes that the dream of Israel is a Jewish utopia is finished.

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(100 min. France/Israel/Italy 2002. Hebrew, Yiddish, Arabic, Polish, Russian and German with English subtitles. Rated 14A)



Secret Lives: Hidden Children and Their Rescuers During World War II Nov. 17, 7:00 pm

AVIVA SLESIN Toby Appleton Port

Documentary Feature

A haunting documentary with first-hand accounts of how Jewish children were rescued from the Nazis during WWII and raised by non-Jews.

A hidden child herself, Slesin lived with a Christian couple in Lithuania for several years. Non-Jewish rescuers, who took Jewish children into their homes at great personal risk, performed extraordinary acts of decency.

The film deftly examines biological ties and the poignant reunions between children and their survivor parents. It also explores the bonds that developed, sometimes imperceptibly, between the hidden children and their rescuer families, and the intense sense of loss some rescuer parents tell when they relinquished their temporary charges.

(72 min. U.S. 2002. In English, some Polish and French with English subtitles. Rated 14A)



God Is Great, I'm Not Nov. 18, 7:00 pm

(Dieu est grand, je suis toute petite)

PASCAL BAILEY Pascale Bailly, Alain Tasma

Audrey Tautou, Edouard Baer, Julie Depardieu, Mathieu Omy, Catherine Jacob

Audrey Tautou, star of *Amélie*, once again proves her charm and knack with humour in this comedy. She plays Michelle, a tole woman who darts from one serial relationship to the next with 100% involvement. She converts from Buddhism to Judaism to prove her love for François (Edouard Baer), a secular Jewish veterinarian. Both lead performances are funny and memorable, as is that of Mathieu Omy (Once We Were Boys) in a supporting role as Michelle's ex-lover. Director Pascale Bailey explores Jewish identity, interfaith coupling and France's ethnic mix.

(100 min. France 2001. French with English subtitles. Rated 14A)

Fund-raising screenings for Temple Israel of Ottawa. Price for each film is \$10.00. Sorry, no passes, no Membership discounts apply. Advance tickets are available from Temple Israel. Call 224-1802 or visit www.templeisraelottawa.ca for more information.

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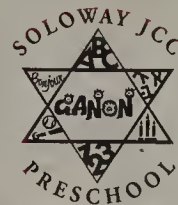
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Students learn the meaning of Tashlich

Students at Hillel Academy of Ottawa recently said the traditional *Tashlich* prayers.

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It was explained that there is no magic to throwing some food into the water and "poof" we've "thrown away" all of our bad deeds. Rather the focus is on introspection and thinking about how we can help others.

Many of the children took home fish at the end of the day and even those who did not had a great time.

Pictured doing *Tashlich* is Rabbi Perton along with some of the students.

Talya Kagedan recipient of Vered Award for Zionism at YRHS

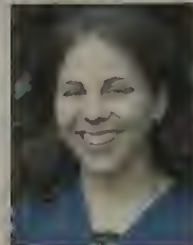
By Maxine Rabinovitch
Executive Director, YRHS

What would the world be like without Israel? Do young people today have a full appreciation of the importance of the existence of the State of Israel?

These were the questions that Sarah Vered posed to the staff of Yitzhak Rabin High School. After discussions with her, the answers to these important issues were approached at several levels.

First, Vered devoted several hours to teaching the students about her experiences with the late Yitzhak Rabin, with the Haggadah, and her memories of the founding of Israel. This anecdotal history, combined with the extensive Jewish history background of the students of YRHS, was very powerful and enriching.

For Yom Hazikaron, Vered lent the school a



Talya Kagedan

video of how the Jewish brigade was involved with the Second World War. For many of us, the efforts of this brigade had been unknown. Information on this video was very informative and added another dimension to the learning.

To determine the students' depth of understanding and appreciation of Zionism, Vered asked them to write an essay.

Jack Silverstone of Canadian Jewish Congress, Mara Messenger of Canada

Israel Committee and Rubin Freedman, an independent consultant reviewed the essays and a \$500 prize was awarded.

Although the judges felt all the essays were excellent the award was given to Talya Kagedan.

Vered was so touched by the level of knowledge reflected in all the essays that she awarded \$100 to each of the participants. They were Nava Lightstone, David Zeligman and Shoshana Sheffield.

Sarah Vered will be working with the staff of Yitzhak Rabin High School and other educators in the community to develop seminars on Zionism, which will be offered to the graduating students.

Vered sees students as the future leaders of the community and is comforted by the knowledge that they will work to maintain the State of Israel.

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Karen Szlamkiewicz, program director, York University Hillel, sits in the destroyed Succah. Police are treating this matter as a hate crime. (Photo: CJC Ontario Region)

Vandals destroy Succah at York University

By Michael Freund

Jewish students at Toronto's York University were stunned to discover that vandals had attacked and torn down the campus Succah, which had been erected for Succot.

"The Succah is a purely religious symbol," said Zac Kaye, Executive Director of Hillel of Greater Toronto, the campus Jewish organization. "This senseless act of desecration must act as a wake-up call for all members of the university community. Enough is enough."

It is believed that the vandals responsible for the destruction of the Succah struck twice over the weekend in what local police are treating as a hate crime.

The attack on the Succah comes in the wake of a number of high-profile anti-Israel and anti-Semitic incidents on Canadian college campuses over the past year, including a riot last fall at Montreal's Concordia University which prevented former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu from delivering a speech.

"We have been following

events on university campuses in Ontario for a number of years," said Ed Morgan, chair of the Ontario Region of the Canadian Jewish Congress. He described the destruction of York University's Succah as "a reprehensible act, which shows that the lessons of religious tolerance still need to be reinforced."

"We are hopeful that the administration and student organizations will see this act of intolerance for what it is and will condemn it," he said.

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Community invited to seminar on Jewish Women and Ovarian Cancer

By Estelle Melzer

Did you know that about one in 40 Ashkenazi Jews carries a gene mutation that increases risk for breast and ovarian cancer?

The National Ovarian Cancer Association (NOCA) has determined that ovarian cancer is a special concern for Ashkenazi Jewish women. It is targeting them in an awareness campaign whose purpose is to educate them about their risks and how they can become proactive in risk-reduction and early detection.

On Thursday, October 30, the community is invited to an educational seminar entitled, *Jewish Women and Ovarian Cancer*. The event is co-sponsored by the Adult Education Committee of Agudath Israel Synagogue and Active Jewish Adult (AJA) 50+. It will take place at 7:30 pm at Agudath Israel Synagogue, 1400 Coldrey Ave.

Ovarian cancer is a deadly disease. Because early symptoms are non-specific, it is usually detected in its later stages. In Canada, 2,600 new cases are diagnosed annually. 1,500 women die each year because of this disease.

Hereditary factors may play a part in some ovarian cancers. Jewish women should be aware they have a small chance (1 in 40) of carrying a BRCA 1 or 2-gene

mutation - inherited either from their mother or father - that could increase risk for breast and ovarian cancer. About 16 per cent of women with these mutations are likely to develop ovarian cancer by age 70.

The good news is that, if detected early and treated, the survival rate from ovarian cancer is as high as 90 per cent!

This seminar will teach you how to 'Listen to the Whispers' of your body and

defend yourself against ovarian cancer.

Speakers include Lynne Joicoeur, an advance practice nurse in the gynecologic/oncology department of Ottawa General Hospital, Cathy Gilpin, a genetics counsellor at CHEO and Elaine Phillips, a survivor of ovarian cancer.

Please tell your friends about this important educational event. Everyone is welcome to attend. There is no admission charge.

OTTAS students learn about the Jewish holidays

Students at Ottawa Talmud Torah Afternoon School have begun the school year with a flurry of activities.

The Grade 7 graduating class, along with teacher Morab Shirley, learned how a shofar is made. Through Rabbi Blum's direction, each student made his or her own shofar to take home.

Rabbi Blum returned to the school to teach OTTAS Grade 1 and 2 students, together with students of Ottawa Modern Jewish School, the history and the meaning of the shofar. They also learned how a shofar is made.

The Grade 6 class and teacher Morah Ella designed and painted their own honey

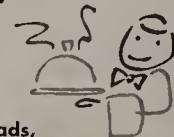
pots. Once the pots were fired in the kiln, the children were able to take them home, just in time for Rosh Hashanah.

On September 25, our Grade 7 class led the school in a Rosh Hashanah assembly. They performed plays for the school. At the end of each play the grade 7 students led the other students through discussion about the meaning of the play. The program ended with the Grade 7 students singing some holiday songs, followed with a treat of apples and honey and the wishing of Shana Tova to all.

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Sophisticated and diverse Israeli films screened at TIFF

By Tammy Stone

The 2003 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) was a whirlwind experience with 336 films to choose from and only 10 days to see as many of them as possible. Fortunately, in between the screenings of films spanning myriad genres and countries, I was able to see two Israeli films that have been doing very well internationally and were extremely well received in Toronto.

That I was able to see them on the same day was even more fortunate, as this unique double-billing allowed me to sense all the clearer just how sophisticated and diverse Israeli cinema really is. This isn't to imply that Israeli films have been one-minded of late; but with the Middle East crisis making headline news almost daily, it's easy to forget that there is rich and vibrant art coming out of this country dealing with various ideas and themes.

James' Journey to

Jerusalem is a first feature by Jerusalem-born filmmaker Ra'anan Alexandrowicz. He has made a couple of documentaries in recent years, and evidence of his interest in real issues affecting Israeli society is strong in *James' Journey*, which deals with the fate of illegal immigrant workers. The protagonist, James, is the son of a Zulu preacher who has long dreamed of coming to the Holy Land to see Jerusalem. He's not just making the journey for himself, but considers the trip a mission for the members of his African tribe back home.

James arrives in Israel, wide-eyed and sincere, and through his strong command of English is able to make himself understood to Israeli authorities at the airport. But they don't want to hear him – they've heard hundreds of stories about people wanting to catch sight of the holy city when they're really after making Israel their illegal home, so they don't believe a word of

James' story. He's whisked off to jail, where he is picked up by surly Shimi, who runs a business of cheap foreign labour.

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James, still idealistic, tells Shimi he doesn't want to work or make money, but to embark on his mission to Jerusalem. Shimi is wary, but insists James has to work off a debt before he can go anywhere. It isn't long before James realizes his honest way of doing things is getting him nowhere fast, and rather than be a "frayer" – an Israeli colloquialism meaning someone who gets taken advantage of – he enters into the swirl of corruption that surrounds him and exploits others the way he has been exploited.

The picture presented

here isn't pretty, but through James's entrancing eyes, we are witness to an allegorical journey through a country that holds such mystique

put their lives back together after the loss of a loved one.

Dafna's husband died nine months earlier, and for a long while she could do nothing but sleep. This came at the expense of her four children; Maya, 17, is an aspiring singer who has to give up her dreams to become a surrogate mother to her two younger siblings, while her twin brother, once a promising basketball player, has fallen into a deep depression and believes life is meaningless, that we are all nothing but particles of dust.

Eventually another crisis in the family causes its members to look closely at their lives and realize that they should be living for the present, not in the past. Along the way, we follow each of the characters as they try to find a balance between their obligations to one another and their own individual needs for happiness.

Director Bergman noted that while *Broken Wings* isn't about the Middle East

conflict, it can be construed as a subtle, metaphorical reference to what is in many ways a fractured country. But he also takes a more optimistic view of things, explaining that out of hard times can come fruitful rewards.

"Personally, I have experienced a few moments of enlightenment in my life – moments when you learn something new about yourself and experience that understanding with your mind, heart and maybe even your body. I wanted to give my characters one of these moments, because of the great release it brings," director Nir Bergman said in a press statement.

"The deep emotional understanding of our need for family releases us from the automatic responses we have for those closest to us. These few moments became the most meaningful in my life. Although they didn't really change me, they taught me to hold on to what I have."

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Work and study in Israel right choice for Nativ participant

By Leora Kimmel

My adventure began in New York on Monday September 8, 2003.

Imagine, fifty-one 18-year-olds preparing to go to Israel for the year. A year that would change us forever.

It began with an orientation and icebreakers, and then off to Kennedy Airport. We land in Ben Gurion Airport some 15 hours later and near of a bombing in Tel Aviv. A minor scare, but nothing that could faze us – it is too distant, we are too excited.

We drive 45 minutes to Yerushalayim Shei Zahav, the Beautiful City of Gold-Jerusalem. We sit on the outskirts of the city and take in all of its beauty. We are finally here.

After hanging out, unpacking and learning about the other people who we would spend this year with, tragedy strikes. Only a few blocks away there is a *piguah*, a bombing. It occurs at 11 pm, on Emek Refaim, a popular street no

further than a 20-minute walk. We heard the sirens, saw the police and the ambulances and felt the horrors that Israelis live through each and every day.

While I have been here three times since the beginning of the matsav, this attack is the scariest for me. It was so close, in a neighbourhood I know so well, and I worry that someone I know may have been injured. The area is a popular hang out for teenagers my age and I think that this could have been me.

Everyone I know is all right. Tragically, the head doctor of the Trauma Department at Shaarey Tzedek Hospital is killed with his daughter at the coffee shop. They were there relaxing the night before her wedding. What could drive someone to kill those who just wish to spend time with their daughter who is about to become a *kalah* (bride)?

As terrible as this is, I am not scared. Our group is not afraid. The Nativ office was



Leora Kimmel is one of 51 motivated and committed Conservative Jewish teenagers working and studying in Israel for nine months.

completely aware that the area was at risk that night, and therefore would not allow us to head there. Through information from the Jewish Agency and Ministry of Defense, they knew that an attack was a possibility.

Despite this, did I make the right decision to be in Israel? Is it worth being here, rather than already starting university? Yes, I made the right choice, and there is nothing more worthwhile.

Professor Dumbledore in

J.K. Rowling's second Harry Potter book, *The Chamber of Secrets*, inspires Harry by saying: "It is our choices ... that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities."

Dumbledore motivates Harry, telling him that

beyond our talents, it is ultimately the decisions we make that form human character.

There are 51 motivated and committed Conservative Jewish teenagers here to support this country we all call home. This time is different than any other time I have been to Israel. This time I am not here for two weeks or even six weeks; this time I am making Israel my home for nine months. I am not just a tourist taking pictures, or here to take a guided tour. I am here to live as an Israeli and become part of this wonderful society.

Editor's Note: Leora Kimmel is taking part in a United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Youth program called Nativ.

Participants attend the Hebrew University of Jerusalem for the first semester, and then move to a kibbutz for the remainder of the year. They tour the country and participate in community work.

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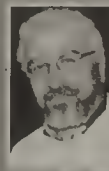
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Wednesdays	Judaic Studies Cantor Benlolo & Leah Smith	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	6:00 - 7:30
Thursdays	Sing & Play Along Leah Smith	840 Broadview Fun for Everyone	3:30 - 4:30
Thursdays	Tamir Choir Cantor Benlolo	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	6:00 - 7:00
Thursdays	Let's Learn Hebrew Leah Smith & Elan Dubrofsky	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	7:00 - 8:00
Sunday Nov. 2	Simchat Torah RSVP	Rideau Regional Smiths Falls	11:00 - 3:00
Friday Nov. 7	Community Shabbat Dinner RSVP	Hosts: Edith & Claire 310-50 Selkirk	6:00 - 9:00
Sunday Nov. 16	Cooking & Noshing Pizza & Movie \$5.00	Tamir Boardroom SJCC Boardroom	1:30 - 3:30 3:30 - 6:30
Friday Dec. 5	Community Shabbat Dinner RSVP	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	5:30 - 8:30
Sunday Dec. 14	Chanukah RSVP	Rideau Regional Smiths Falls	11:00 - 3:30
Sunday Dec. 14	Pizza & Movie \$5.00	SJCC Boardroom	3:30 - 6:30
Wednesday Dec. 17	Tamir Choir Shira Ottawa Choir	Hillel Lodge Chanukah Performance	6:00 - 7:30
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Drawing card contest winners (from left to right): Madison Seller, Alice Lengler, Julie Segal, Nosson Shokin.

Young artists win local Jewish-theme contest

By Ilana Albert-Novick

Four young artists in our community have been selected as winners in Na'amat Ottawa's first card contest.

Children in grades one through six were invited to create a design for one of four Jewish themed cards. From the many entries received, Na'amat's Fundraising Chair Jenny Shinder selected four winners, one from each category. According to Shinder the project was fun from the start: "Selecting winners was not easy. There were so many amazing drawings to choose from. I'm thrilled that these kids' masterpieces will be enjoyed throughout the community. I just hope we printed enough cards!"

Madison Seller, age 10, was selected as the winner

for the Rosh Hashanah holiday card. Alice Lengler, age six, won for the Chanukah Category. The winning Pesach card was drawn by Nosson Shokin, age 10, and Julie Segal, age eight drew the winning entry for the General Judaica card.

Cards are being sold in packages of 12 (three of each card) for \$10. All funds raised from the sales of these cards will be directed to Na'amat projects helping women and children in Israel. You can purchase cards by calling: Ilana Albert-Novick (225-2662), Sharon Reichstein (226-1989), Jenny Shinder (224-4540), Rosalie Schwartz (820-5926) or e-mail: naamatotzma@hotmail.com.

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Global Shtetl The Jewish Internet

Saul Silverman

To conclude my survey of some of the best Jewish web-sites, I will focus on Israel, the Jewish community and public affairs, and Jewish cultural life.

Israel

Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs hosts the official Israeli Government website. The home page starts with current news and MFA press releases at the top, but, as you scroll down the page, you'll find more general material. The site, at <http://www.mfa.gov.il/mfa/home.asp>, is a useful compendium of all things Israeli. As you dig into the site, you'll find useful analysis and documentation of Israeli-Arab affairs, particularly Israeli material on the Palestinians. Sign up for e-mail subscriptions to daily editions of two concise newsletters: the morning 'Editorials from the Hebrew Press' and 'Israel Line,' a current news review.

From the many Israeli news sources on the web I chose two, whose often contrasting views give a sense of the range of debate within the Israeli democracy. One is the English language version of the Hebrew daily, Ha'aretz (<http://www.haaretzdaily.com>). The other, more familiar to

readers of the *Bulletin*, is the Jerusalem Post (<http://www.jpost.com>). The Jerusalem Post has an audio site where you can access up-to-date news broadcasts (<http://www.jpost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=JPast/P/Radia/SectionIndex&specials>).

The Canada-Israel Committee website is a reliable and comprehensive site for information and opinion that makes the case for Israel in Canada. It is sensitive to how public opinion develops in this country and hence is a key resource for trying to reach our friends and neighbours (<http://www.cicweb.ca/index.cfm>).

Community and public affairs

The Jewish Community Council of Ottawa/Vaad Ha'Ir maintains a website that keeps us current on community affairs and events, and provides links to key information on our community (<http://www.jewishottawa.org>). Included on the site is the Ottawa version of the Jewish Yellow Pages, a directory of contact information, including e-mail and websites (where they exist) of typically organized Jewish Ottawa organizations. You can also use the Yellow Pages to link to similar information on many other Jewish communities.

The Canadian Jewish Congress maintains a well organized, easy to navigate website (<http://www.cjc.ca>). I use this site to periodically check for reliable information and/or CJC positions on public issues of concern to the Canadian Jewish community. See three link headings in the left-hand frame: "issues"; "media" (coverage of Jewish-interest issues in Canada); and "Parliament" (extracts from the record of debates and Committee hearings).

The Anti-Defamation League is a prime source of material on Jew hatred, the campaign against Israel, and other matters where eternal vigilance and activism is the price of maintaining our safety, freedom and dignity (<http://www.adl.org/adl.asp>). This organization, originally established by American B'nai Brith, is one of the Jewish organizations best attuned to functioning in an era of globalization. Increasingly, ADL, as reflected in this website, has been turning its attention to how the Internet and other newer communication technologies are used by racist hate-mongers and their cronies and state supporters to promote Jew hatred and anti-Israeli themes.

Jewish culture

The web helps us deal with the challenges of today and tomorrow. But the Jewish web is also a mirror of our creativity and zest for life.

Best of the Jewish Web (2)

Two sites are excellent examples of the Web as a carrier of Jewish culture. The first is National Public Radio's comprehensive audio sampler of Jewish short stories, spanning the century from Sholem Aleichem and A. Y. Peretz to Woody Allen and Grace Paley. The stories – humorous and tragic, mystical and realistic – are presented in top quality readings by some of the most famous Broadway and Hollywood stars of our era (<http://www.kcrw.org/jewish>).

The Klezmer Shack is the portal of choice to material on the remarkable revival of Yiddish popular music. Klezmer, and its embrace by young Jews throughout the world, is a major demonstration that, despite everything, "am Yisroel chai," the Jewish people and its culture, are alive and vigorous. Klezmer Shack (<http://www.klezmershack.com>) is particularly useful in its links to current and archived reviews, which lead to websites and audio clips of the various groups and individuals who have recorded their music.

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Last week, on the spur of the moment, I invited a friend to come for dinner. I served her a wonderful corn chowder, salad and bread. When she remarked how amazed she was that I managed to prepare such a delicious dinner so quickly, I confessed that I had pulled the soup from the freezer. She was shocked and told me that she didn't believe in freezing food. I had no idea that some people felt that way. For me, most days are so busy that it is such a pleasure to just open the freezer and see dinner already prepared. Of course, it takes some planning but the effort is well worth the reward of a freezer full of dinners.

The first recipe is for a pasta sauce based on an Italian dish called Osso Buco, which literally means, "bone with hole." The sauce is made with veal shanks, which have a hole in the middle of them. This hole is filled with marrow and it's the marrow, along with the meat on the veal shanks, which make the sauce so delicious. After a long, slow simmering, the bones are discarded, the meat is shredded and the sauce is served over pasta. Wide flat noodles, like papardelle, or hollow tubes, like rigatoni, are best. The second recipe is for a Beef Stew.



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Osso Buco Sauce

Serves 12, or a family of 4 for 3 nights.

Ask the butcher to cut each veal shank into 3 or 4 pieces, to make it more manageable.

- 3 pounds veal shanks (about 3-4 veal shanks)
- 1 cup all purpose flour
- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 medium onions, diced
- 4 stalks celery, diced
- 4 carrots, diced
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon dried red pepper flakes
- 1 cup white wine
- 5 cups water
- 5 cups chicken stock
- 1 28-ounce can plum tomatoes

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. In a very large shallow ovenproof pot, heat 2 tablespoons oil over medium high heat. Put flour in a plastic bag and add dry veal shank bones, one at a time, shaking well so they get coated with the flour. It's sort of like making Shake 'N Bake. Add coated shank bones to the hot oil, salt and pepper them and brown well on both sides. Do not crowd the pan. You may have to do this in two batches.

Remove shank bones to a platter and wipe pot out with paper towels. Add remaining oil and turn on heat to medium. Add onions, celery, carrots, red pepper, thyme and red pepper flakes. Stir well, turn down heat to low and cook for about 5 minutes. Add wine, water, chicken stock and canned plum tomatoes (including juices).

Cover pot and place in oven and cook for about 1 hour. Uncover, continue cooking for another hour until meat is falling off the bone and the sauce is quite thick. Remove meat from bones, discard bones and break the meat into bite sized pieces.

Divide sauce into three containers. Freeze two of the containers for bonus dinners at a later date. The remaining sauce is enough to generously coat 1 pound of pasta.

Beef Stew

Serves 8 hungry people, or a family of 4 for 2 nights.

This recipe is adapted from Julia Child's *Zinfandel of Beef* (Julia Child-The Way to Cook, Knopf, 1989).

I usually serve this with a crusty loaf of bread or mashed or steamed potatoes. Mushrooms would also be delicious. Sauté quartered mushrooms in a bit of olive oil and add to stew just before serving.

- 4 pounds boneless stewing beef (meat cut into 1-inch cubes)
- 4 tablespoons vegetable oil
- salt and pepper
- 2 onions, sliced
- 3 carrots, sliced
- 1 750 ml bottle red wine
- 3 cups water
- 3 large garlic cloves, unpeeled and smashed
- 1 28-ounce can plum tomatoes, drained and coarsely chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 tablespoons margarine

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Dry beef thoroughly with paper towels. Add 2 tablespoons oil to large frying pan. When pan is hot add half the beef to pan. Season with salt and pepper and brown well on all sides. Transfer first batch to a large ovenproof casserole and continue with second half of oil and beef. Transfer second batch of beef to casserole.

Pour out all but a spoonful of fat from frying pan and add sliced vegetables. Sauté for 3 minutes. Add to beef in casserole. Pour wine into frying pan and cook on high heat, stirring well for about 2 minutes. Add wine to casserole dish. Add water, garlic, canned tomatoes, bay leaf and thyme to casserole dish. There should be enough liquid to cover beef. Add more water if needed.

Cover casserole dish and place in oven for about 2 1/2 hours, or until meat is fork tender. Turn beef in casserole several times during cooking. Pour contents of casserole into a colander set over a saucepan; wash out casserole and return beef pieces to it. Press juices out of the residue in the colander into the saucepan; degrease cooking liquid. Stir margarine and flour together to form a paste. Whisk paste into liquid and when thoroughly absorbed, bring to a boil. Sauce will thicken. Stir beef into thickened liquid, and taste for seasoning. Serve half tonight and freeze remaining half for another night.

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The following books are splendid examples of bible stories made new again.

The Beautiful World that God Made

By Rhonda Gowler Greene

Illustrated by Anne Wilson

Eerdman Books for Young Readers 2002

Unpagged Ages 3 and up

Brilliantly conceived and executed, *The Beautiful World that God Made* is a lavishly colourful and lovingly formatted verse picture book about Creation. Without counting the days, each lyrical, evocative phrase and two-page spread represent one day.

The phrases build in a sweeping crescendo to climax "on the day God chose to rest, to look on the world he created and blessed." They are then repeated in descending order, in effect, representing the cycle/circle of life. Minimalist, yet rhythmic and rhyming, Rhonda Gowler Greene's poem is expressive and riveting. It reads aloud in flowing splendour and grandeur.

Together with Anne Wilson's radiant collage-based circling and arching illustrations, *The Beautiful World that God Made* is a joyous treatment of Creation, with God front and centre each step of the way. I am tempted to call it a modern-day psalm of praise and thanks.

Small wonder, then, that the Association of Jewish Libraries chose it as a 2002 Notable Book for Young Readers. Definitely a Best Buy!

'Thesaurus Rex' author at Arts Alive Nov. 2

By Pamela Rosenberg

Boston-based Ottawa native Laya Steinberg will be at Arts Alive on Sunday, November 2 to read from her children's book, *Thesaurus Rex*.

Steinberg has been writing poetry since childhood but it wasn't until she had children of her own that she was inspired to create stories for them. *Thesaurus Rex*

was created from an idea she had while flipping through an old Thesaurus.

She found reading the synonyms, rhythm and alliteration out loud was a delight to the ears and from that came the idea for a her new children's book.

Steinberg will present *Thesaurus Rex* at 12:00 pm on November 2 at the Soloway JCC.



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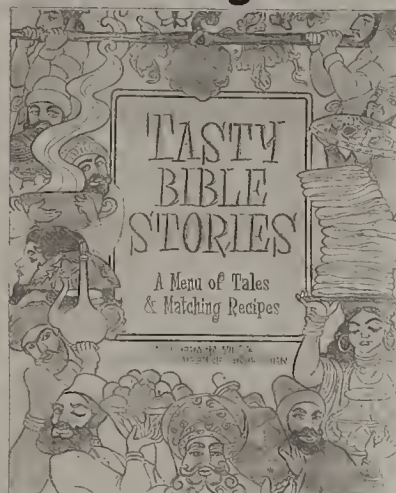
That is about to change with the publication of – I'm not sure what to call it – a recipe-plus-bible storybook or a bible-story-plus-recipe book.

Creative and with-it, the author of *Tasty Bible Stories: A Menu of Tales & Matching Recipes* uses irreverent hip-humour and idiomatic expressions to retell 14 popular Bible stories. Each story is followed by recipes that might have been appropriate for its time. This playful approach is carried off in fine fashion, with brevity in the retelling being its saving grace.

The stories range from "Eve: The Apple of Adam's Eye" to Queen Esther's grand feast before unveiling Haman for the treacherous villain that he was. Along the way are recipes for everything from appetizers to main courses, apples to Persian kabobs.

As a recipe book, the selections are presented clearly and with a keen eye for food children generally enjoy. They comply with modern notions of healthy eating, with Middle Eastern style vegetarian recipes predominating. Kitchen safety tips and metric conversions are included, though in different locations, which is a bit cumbersome.

As a bible story book, whether speaking to God or to each other, the emphasis is on smart-mouth retorts, idioms, and coolness. That style often means that nuances in the



From *Tasty Bible Stories*

stories are missed or, on occasion, misrepresented. On the positive side, it also means that other aspects of the stories come through all the more clearly.

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The Book Beat

Kinneret Globerman

In keeping with last issue's column, here are some more titles to help you find your spiritual soul. Whether you are *frum*, or just getting started, these books should offer lots of food for spiritual thought no matter how observant you are (or aren't).

The Torah Treasury: The Tobias Heller Edition
By Rabbi Moshe M. Lieber
(edited under the direction of Rabbi Nosson Scherman)
ArtScroll Mesorah Series/Mesorah Publications Ltd.
Hardcover, 2002

This "anthology of insights, commentary and anecdotes on the weekly Torah readings" is written by accomplished ArtScroll author Rabbi Lieber whose intent is "to turn God from an abstract idea into a living Reality, with Whom we yearn for an intense relationship," to "arouse a soul-stirring storm to replace the calm of spiritual apathy."

He certainly generates ideas enough to satisfy those hungry to mine the Torah for its wisdom and currency with this gorgeous book. The Rabbi expounds on various readings from the *Chumash*, providing so many ideas for each parashas that one can easily spend a week musing over them. He also analyses many individual phrases (which he translates into English from the words printed in Hebrew directly above), offering various explanations from numerous classical and contemporary sources including Rashi, the Rambam, the Ponevzher Rav, Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, and Simchas Aharon, to name a handful.

An excellent book to share at the Shabbat table or to use together with a *chevritah*, a study partner. Rabbi Lieber's conversational style and broad knowledge of Jewish texts, sages and philosophers make mining the Torah – "a user's guide" to Creation," as the Rabbi puts it – far less intimidating than it could be.

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From Torah to meditation: books for spiritual growth

Five Cities of Refuge:
Weekly Reflections on Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy
By Lawrence Kushner and David Mamet
Schoken Books/a division of Random House
Hardcover, 2003

These weekly parsha musings are from a totally different perspective. Lawrence Kushner – rabbi of Congregation Beth El in Massachusetts for 28 years and now teaching at Congregation Emanu-El in San Francisco – and playwright David Mamet collaborated on this book, an offshoot of their own study partnership.

Each key excerpt from the weekly Torah readings (in Hebrew first, followed by its generally modernized, sometimes weird translation) are interpreted by Kushner first, followed by Mamet. They are interesting, sometimes quirky (like Mamet's plays), and certainly unconventional reflections. Sometimes these musings stray off on other tangents that are not directly related to the excerpted phrase. Mamet brings in the Vietnam War, Tolstoy, Hannah Arendt and many other modern references while Kushner (and this is *not* Rabbi Kushner of "bad things/good people" fame) stays more on topic. A book that certainly offers an unorthodox, offbeat presentation of the parshas with lots of potential for discussion.

The Book of Sacred Jewish Practices:
CLAL's Guide to Everyday & Holiday Rituals & Blessings
Edited by Rabbi Irwin Kula and Vanessa L. Ochs, Ph.D.
Jewish Lights Publishing
Softcover, 2001

CLAL is the National Jewish Centre for Learning and Leadership, a Jewish 'think tank' of rabbis and Jewish scholars who have "experimented in bringing fresh Jewish practices to Jewish communities for more than twenty-five years." (Their web-site: www.clal.org.) CLAL has compiled this book of practices, meditations, rituals, blessings and teachings in its "commitment to the sacred plurality of Jews everywhere ... respecting the ethnic, geographic, and religious diversity of Jews and the communities in which we live."

One hundred practices are explained and their blessings given. (The blessings are taken from the Torah, the Talmud, and the *siddur* (prayerbook), and are offered in Hebrew, without the consonant sounds, followed by transliterated English

and a modernized translation.) Accompanying meditations require the reader to think about the reason for performing the practices. The associated rituals are described, followed by teachings (from various Jewish sources: Pikei Avot, Abraham Joshua Heschel, the Babylonian Talmud, etc.). The practices are divided into 12 sections – everything from 'Everyday Life' and 'Relationships,' to 'Life and Death' and 'Israel.' A unique, active approach to embracing Jewish tradition and ritual for individuals and their families.

The Lord is My Shepherd:
Healing Wisdom of the Twenty-Third Psalm
By Harold S. Kushner
Alfred A. Knopf/Random House Inc.
Hardcover, 2003

Kushner has taken one of the most treasured of all of the psalms – loved by Jew and non-Jew alike – and parsed every line in the 57-word poem, revealing the power and comfort found within its compact "theology." Although the Rabbi (of "bad things/good people" fame) has been musing about the ideas in the Twenty-third Psalm for over 40 years, it wasn't until the catastrophic September 11, 2001 that he realized he needed to share them with others; to demonstrate how the answers to their questions of "How could God let this happen?" or "Where was God?" could be found in this spare little poem. An exquisite book written in Kushner's simple yet powerful and deeply spiritual style.

Next Book Beat: *The Case for Israel*

At the Library:

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Sally and Morton Taller our dear parents and grandparents for a very happy and Healthy New Year by Bev and Bernie Zaltman and family; and by Zenia Zaltman.

In memory of:

Nell Gluck by Sally and Morton Taller.

RUTH TALLER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of:

Harry King by Ethel and Sid Kerzner and family.

SAMUEL AND ANNE TALLER ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to:

Evelyn and Joseph Lief on their 50th wedding anniversary by Anne Taller.

CHARLES AND RAE TAVEL MEMORIAL FUND

Mazal Tov to:

Sarah and Milton Shaffer on their 65th wedding anniversary by Sunny and John Tavel.

In memory of:

Louis Segall by Sunny and John Tavel.
Sybil Meyersburg by Sunny and John Tavel.

In observance of the Yahrzeit of:

Abe Palmer, a dear husband, father and grandfather, sadly missed by Bertha Palmer and Sunny and John Tavel and family.

IRVING AND ETHEL TAYLOR ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of:

Ben "Buck" Pozitsky by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

MOSES, CHENYA AND HENRY TORONTOW MEMORIAL FUND

In observance of the Yahrzeit of:

Michael Robert Toronto, a dear son, brother and nephew, sadly missed by aunt Jean Naemark.

PEARL AND EDWARD TORONTOW ENDOWMENT FUND

Best wishes to:

Pearl Toronto on her special birthday by Jean Naemark and family.

R'Yah Sh'lemah to:

Brenda Saxe by Pearl (Mom) Toronto; and by aunt Jean Naemark and family.

GILAD, ARNIE AND RON VERED ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of:

Louis Goldstein by Liz and Arnie Vered.

Miriam Goldstein by Liz and Arnie Vered.

Terese McKellar's mother Valada by Liz and Arnie Vered.

RUTH AND JOSEPH VINER ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to:

Sol Kaiman on his second Bar Mitzvah by Ruth and Joe Viner.

Hy Soloway on his very special birthday by Ruth and Joe Viner.

HAZE WAINBERG FAMILY FUND

Mazal Tov to:

Thelma Steinman on being the recipient of the Jewish Family Service "Elaine Rabin Volunteer Service Award" by Haze Wainberg.

MIRIAM AND LOUIS WEINER ENDOWMENT FUND

With appreciation to:

Canor David Apolowitz by Miriam and Louis Weiner.

In memory of:

Nell Gluck by Miriam and Louis Weiner.

Sidney Wayne by Miriam and Louis Weiner.

MILDRED AND PERCY WEINSTEIN ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to:

Hy Hymes on his very special birthday by Millie Weinstein.
Max and Phyllis Sternthal on the marriage of their daughter Karen to Jerry by Millie Weinstein.

R'Yah Sh'lemah to:

Zelda Freedman by Millie Weinstein.

In memory of:

Percy Weinstein by Miriam Lief; by Nina and Elliott Aron; by Ann Lazear and family; and by Sandra and Sam Zunder.

REV. HARRY MAX AND CAROLINE WEISSBORD MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of:

Our beloved parents and grandparents, Rev. Harry Max and Caroline Weissbord, sadly missed by Ruth and Zenith Singer and family.

Our beloved parents and grandparents, Goldie and Harry Singer, sadly missed by Ruth and Zenith Singer and family.

Sidney Bierbner, our dear friend never forgotten by Ruth and Zenith Singer and family.

ROBERT WENER AND LYNN DRECK WENER FAMILY FUND

In memory of:

Tracey Halpini by Lynne Dreck Wener, Bobby, Taryn, Ellen and Hart Wener.

Ben "Buckie" Pozitsky by Lynne Dreck Wener, Bobby, Taryn, Ellen and Hart Wener.

SAM AND HELENE ZARET ENDOWMENT FUND

Mazal Tov to:

Mark Zaret, our dear brother and uncle on his 50th birthday by Neil, Debi, Josh and Adam Zaret.

PINCHAS ZUKERMAN MUSICAL EDUCATION FUND

Congratulations to:

Dr. Peter Leighton on receiving the Order of Canada by Evelyn and Irving Greenberg.

Mazal Tov to:

Ambassador Hamm and Linda Diwon on the engagement of their daughter Jolie by Evelyn and Irving Greenberg.

R'Yah Sh'lemah to:

Donald Snipper by Evelyn and Irving Greenberg.

Ruth Berger by Evelyn and Irving Greenberg.

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Yasher Koach to:

Bert Loeb for all his many charitable achievements by Sam and Sandra Zunder.

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Speedy recovery to:

Sid Rothman by Marcia and Barry Cantor and family.

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Mazal Tov to:

Shelley and Sid

Rothman on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Marshall by Joni and Andy Katz and family.

Lori and Stewart

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on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Daniel by Joni and Andy Katz and family.

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Ryan Kardish on his Bar Mitzvah by Joni and Andy Katz and family.

Robert Laks on his Bar Mitzvah by Stacey Katz.

Sarah Klein on her Bar Mitzvah by Stacey Katz.

Ayal Sadeh on his Bar Mitzvah by Stacey Katz.

Jordan Stenzler on his Bar Mitzvah by Stacey Katz.

JONATHAN SHERMAN B'NAI MITZVAH FUND

Best wishes to:

Sy Gutmayer on his special birthday by Bea and Murray Garceau.

Happy and Healthy New Year to:

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**MONDAY
OCTOBER 27**
Montreal Israel Vendor Fair,
at the YM-YMHA, 5400 Westbury
Avenue, Montreal, 8:00 am to
8:00 pm.

**TUESDAY
OCTOBER 28**
Greenberg Families Library,
Music Appreciation Series, pre-
sented by Jean-Jacques Van
Viasselaer, "Puccini and
Opere", 1:30 pm.

**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 29**
Jewish Community Council of
Ottawa/Vaad Ha'Ir Board of
Trustees Meeting, 7:30 pm.

**THURSDAY
OCTOBER 30**
Ashkenazi Jewish Women
and Ovarian Cancer: An Awareness
Seminar, sponsored by
Agudath Israel Adult Education
Committee and AJA50+.

Agudath Israel Congregation,
1400 Coldrey Avenue, 7:30 pm.

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 1**
Arts Alive 2003 "Reso-
nance-Between the Old World
and the New, 7:30 pm.

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 2**
Arts Alive 2003 "Reso-
nance-Between the Old World
and the New, 10:00 am.

As part of "Hate Hurts
Week" at Carleton University,
the Ecumenical Chaplaincy of
Carleton University, in associa-
tion with the Embassy of Israel
and the Embassy of Italy will be
screening Joseph Rochlitz's
documentary film *The Right-
eous Enemy*. The film tells the lit-
tle-known story of Italy's role in
saving the lives of over 40,000
European Jews during the Sec-
ond World War and the Holocaust.
It will be co-introduced by Ronen

Gil-Or of the Israeli Embassy and
Alessandro Cortese of the
Embassy of Italy, Humanities The-
atre (Room 303, Paterson Hall),
7:30 pm.

**MONDAY
NOVEMBER 3**
What Next for Israel?
Can we have hope without
delusion? Talk by Mark
Rosenblum, political director,
Americans for Peace Now,
Temple Israel, 1301 Prince of
Wales Drive, 7:30 pm.

**TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 4**
JET, Timeless Wisdom for
Modern Marriage, 7:00 pm.

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 5**
Jewish National Fund,
Negev Dinner honouring Vera
Klein, Machzikel Hadas Con-
gregation, 2310 Virginia Drive, 6:00
pm.

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 6**
Holocaust Education Week
film *Uprising*, the story of the
Warsaw Ghetto, Canadian War
Museum, 330 Sussex Drive, 7:30
pm.

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 9**
Ladies Reception Commit-
tee Newcomers Tea, home of
Carole Cherun, 31 Aleutian Road,
2:30 pm.
Kristallnacht Commemora-
tion, film *Sugihara: Conspiracy
of Kindness*. Candle lighting in
memory of the victims of
Kristallnacht follows. Ben
Franklin Place, 101 Centrepointe
Drive, 7:00 pm.

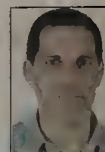
CANDLELIGHTING
Oct 31 ☆ 4:34 pm
Nov 7 ☆ 4:24 pm
Nov 14 ☆ 4:16 pm

COMING SOON

NOVEMBER 6 - 18
Holocaust Education Week: Info: www.jewishottawa.org

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10
UJA Public Servants Event
with guest speaker Bob Rae, former premier of Ontario.
RSVP Jeremy (798-4696 ext 270).

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13
Canadian Friends of Hebrew University
and UJA present
Professor Amos Nadan
lecturing on "Human Development
in the Middle East: Situation,
Debates and Prospects."
Hillel Lodge, 7:30 pm.



NOVEMBER 16-18
Temple Israel presents International Jewish Film Festival.
Tickets are \$10 per movie and may be purchased either
at the By Town Theatre, Rideau Street
or from Temple Israel (224-1602).

Unless otherwise noted, activities take place at The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadelny Sachs Private.

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